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June, 1914, at Noon in accordance with
the Notice which has already been sent to
Shareholders, and they are FURTHER
REMINDED that it is proposed, in view
of the 3rd June being a Public
Holiday, to adjourn such Meeting to the
same time and place on the following day,
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SCOTTISH LETTER.

(From Our Correspondent).
EDINBURGH, May 2.

THE SLATER CASE.

Slater, the convict in Fifehead
Prison, who was convicted five years ago
for the murder of an old maid in Fife,
Marion Gilchrist in a Glasgow flat, is re-
ceiving another chance of securing his
freedom. During the past week Sheriff
Gardner Miller has been holding a private
inquiry in Glasgow, directed particularly
to the recording of evidence regarding the
inquiry and to the story of Slater's flight.
It is alleged that fresh evidence has
been secured throwing doubt upon the
reliability of the identification, which played
an important part in the conviction. It is
further stated that it can now be shown
that Slater did not attempt to conceal his
identity when he hurriedly departed from
Glasgow, where he had been negotiating
for a passage on a liner to America, and
looked instead from Liverpool. Sheriff
Gardner Miller has completed the inquiry,
and the records of evidence, together with
his report, have been sent to the Secretary
for Scotland.

The case, in a sense, is a sub judice, but
the "Scotsman" makes the following
comments: "While no one would wish to
deny Slater every opportunity of proving
his innocence, it cannot be too strongly
insisted upon that he was rightly convicted
on the evidence produced at his trial. The
new facts and fresh evidence un-
dermined by the indefatigable industry of
his agents may raise doubts as to the cor-
rectness of the jury's verdict, or may even
put beyond question the error of that ver-
dict. But it can be, and ought to be, said
that Slater was at all appearances re-
ceived a fairer trial than Slater
and that the circumstantial evidence
against him was sufficiently strong to
justify the jury's verdict. Moreover, it
cannot be forgotten that though there is
no Court of Criminal Appeal in Scotland,
Slater did not suffer on that account. He
was given a chance of public opinion.

Lord Pentland asked Lord Lorburn, who
was then Lord Chancellor, to give his
anxious consideration to the case. Lord
Lorburn called in the assistance of Lord
Haldane, who was at the time War Minis-
ter and Lord Guthrie (the Lord of the
case), and all facts were thoroughly re-
viewed by this authoritative tribunal, which
recommended that the death sentence
should be commuted to penal servitude for
life, saw no reason to set aside the
jury's verdict. If there had been a
Court of Criminal Appeal, the trial, in
saying this, it is only right to recall that
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, in the pamphlet
protesting Slater's innocence, which he
published about eighteen months ago,
drew attention to a mistake made by the
Lord Advocate (Mr. Ure) in his opening
address to the jury, where he stated that
the evidence that the identity of Slater
was not as convincingly complete as was
supposed at the time of the trial, a stronger
point in his favour will have been made
than anything brought forward hitherto.
But it will have to be remembered in this
connection that more than 100 other there
were, as was believed at the time of the
trial, two culprits, and that discrepancies
in identification would naturally arise if
one of the murderers was seen by one
witness and another by another witness.

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French giant named Eugene Arcan, who
is aged nineteen, stands 7ft. 8in. high,
and weighs nearly nineteen stone, says the
Paris correspondent of the "Mail."

The King sent for the giant to come to
the royal box. There he made the giant
hold out his arm horizontally while he
himself stood beneath it. "Why, by the
side of you I might be a child," exclaimed
King Alfonso. "If you were a Spaniard
I should very willingly enroll you in my
guard. I wish very much that I could do
so." Queen Victoria Eugenie was much
amused to see the King side by side with
the giant.

Arcan sleeps sometimes for thirty six
hours on end. It is stated, and when he
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MURDER CHARGE
AGAINST ITALIAN
COUNTESS.

TO SAVE HER HONOUR.
Prisoner's Plea.

Onsaku, May 1.
To-day's proceedings in connection with the trial at the Assize Court of the Countess, Trepolo, for the murder of her husband's servant, a young soldier named Polimanti, aroused special interest, this being the first day on which witnesses have been examined. The case has attracted to Oneglia a crowd of people anxious to follow the course of the trial on the spot, and among those attending the court are many ladies belonging to the Venetian aristocracy, who have taken accommodation here and intend to remain in the town until the decision of the Court, which many think will be an acquittal, is known.

Before the first witness was called this morning the interrogator of the prisoner was concluded. As has already been stated, the Countess maintains that she killed Polimanti in defence of her honour. She replied to the questions addressed to her with great precision and detail, speaking in a musical voice and with something approaching literary elegance of style.

Consent for the prosecution made a request that the jury should be conducted to the scene of the tragedy in order that they might be able to reconstruct the details of the better. The President of the Court intimated that he should reserve his decision, whereupon several members of the jury expressed themselves strongly in favour of counsel's proposal.

Medical experts were then called, and deposed as to the nature of the deceased's injuries. Dr. Giuliani told the Court how, in company with Captain Oggioni (the husband of the Countess), he discovered the body of the murdered soldier; and Signora Maria Bovo related how the Countess came to her house for refuge after the crime and told her what had happened. The Countess, she said, was in a distracted state, and seemed almost like a mad woman. She told her, in a tone of severity, that she had killed Polimanti "to save her honour."

The most interesting evidence during the afternoon hearing was that of Captain Bovo, husband of the witness whose statement is given above. Captain Bovo, who is a brother officer of Captain Oggioni, declared that the Countess had been the victim of an "amorous persecution" on the part of Polimanti. He described the circumstances under which Captain Oggioni made the discovery of the crime. The witness thought it probable that the revolver with which the murder was committed might well have been lying ready to hand loaded in the case. Both Captain Oggioni and his wife, he pointed out, were well accustomed to the use of firearms after their residence in the colony of Benadir.

At this point the Countess was taken suddenly unwell, and the hearing was adjourned. — Central News.

How Polimanti Was Shot.

During the first day's hearing of the trial of Countess Trepolo a very painful scene occurred while the witnesses were entering the court, the Countess, recognising among them several of her friends and acquaintances, burst into a flood of tears. Suddenly a piercing voice was heard: "Ah! My God, where is my son?" It was the mother of Polimanti, who was unable to restrain her emotion. She was led out of the court by carabinieri. The morning was occupied with formalities, and in the afternoon the Countess was called for her examination. She stated that on the morning of the murder she did not get up very early, as she had spent a sleepless night. Polimanti had taken the children to school, and she only saw him later, when she left her bed-room to go to the kitchen. He approached, and tried to put his arms round her, but she repulsed him, and withdrew to her bed-room, locking the door.

Polimanti knocked several times at the door, but the Countess refused to open. She lay in bed for some time, and decided that she would leave San Remo for Bologna, so as to be free from the trouble some attentions of the soldier-servant. While she was packing her trunks Polimanti again knocked at the door, and asked for some instructions with regard to the kitchen. Not thinking that he meant any harm, the Countess opened the door, whereupon the soldier clasped her tightly in his arms, saying: "You must be mine; you must be mine! I have waited too long!"

"I resisted for a long time," Countess Trepolo continued, "and I exerted all

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"Six years ago my wife, who is now 50 years old, passed through an exceedingly trying experience," says Mr. W. D. de Alwis, a landed proprietor, residing at Palapoda, near Colombo, Ceylon. "Her whole body became

Rankled With Pains, frightful headaches continually prostrated her, attacks of giddiness overcame her to such an extent that she would have to give up her chair for fear of falling forward on the floor, and at the same time blood seemed to surge into her brain, making everything appear dark before her eyes."

These and other symptoms common to many ladies of her age brought my wife to the verge of despair. It was indeed pitiful to see her, formerly so energetic and bright-spirited, now reduced to an invalid. "On several occasions I had read in my newspaper how ladies suffering in the same way had obtained

Permanent Relief by means of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. But all treatments tried for my wife having proved unavailing, I thought that these Pills would be equally useless until, one day, a booklet came into my hands which contained such strong evidence of their merit as to convince both my wife and myself that they were worth a trial.

"I procured a supply of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and my wife commenced to take them carefully and regularly. Their her good health began to return by leaps and bounds. As the days went by there

Dreadful Headaches

diminished and the pains in her body lessened until they disappeared altogether. Within a month my wife was another woman. She is in perfect health at the present time. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills certainly worked a miracle in her case."

GAZETTE.

(From "Shipping and Engineering.")

Mr. A. Winterbottom, supernumerary, Hain Peking, has gone third engineer, Wenchow.
Mr. J. C. Saunders, acting third engineer, Wenchow, has gone supernumerary, Hain Peking.
Mr. D. Kerr, supernumerary, Hain Peking, has gone chief engineer, Shao-ling.
Mr. J. B. Barclay, chief engineer, Yochow, is on reserve.
Mr. G. F. Vincent, supernumerary, Hain Peking, has gone acting chief engineer, Yochow.
Mr. G. E. Peet, chief officer, Ngankin, is on leave.
Mr. W. Leung, from reserve, has gone acting chief officer, Ngankin.
Captain J. B. Harris, of the Anhui, is on leave.
Captain Eddy, of the Yunnan, has gone master, of the Anhui.
Mr. D. Palmer, chief engineer, Yuchow, is on leave.
Mr. G. Butchart, second engineer, Yuchow, has gone acting chief engineer, same ship.
Captain A. A. Crawford, of the Foching, is deceased.
Mr. A. E. MacMillan, third engineer, Hain Peking, is deceased.
Mr. H. W. A. Grist, second officer, Takung, has gone second officer, Kwong-ang.
Mr. G. H. Mery, second officer, Kwong-ang, is on leave.
Mr. E. W. McIlroy, has been appointed supernumerary third engineer, Suiching.
Mr. J. C. Collier, supernumerary third engineer, Suiching, is on leave.
Mr. J. P. Lane, has been appointed supernumerary second officer, Lanchow.
Mr. C. H. E. Brown, supernumerary, Takung, has gone second officer, Hain Peking.
Mr. J. H. Brown, second officer, Lanchow, has gone second officer, Hain Peking.
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Name	Class	Tonnage	Comd.	L.H.F.	Commander	Last report at
Albany	torpedo-boat	1850	2	8000	Comdr. Archibald Cockburn	Wahaiwei
Albatross	torpedo-boat	1100	2	700	Comdr. V. K. Brindley	Hongkong
Arcturion	torpedo-boat	1110	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Q. B. Preston-Thomas	Hongkong River
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Capt. M. S. Fitzmaurice	Yungshuei
C. elmer	torpedo-boat destroyer	580	4	700	Lieut.-Comdr. H. T. England	Wahaiwei
Charab	water tank and tug	580	—	300	—	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Col. Macmillan, D.S.O.	Yungshuei
Colum	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	4	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Wahaiwei
Fame	torpedo-boat destroyer	380	6	5700	Lieut. C. M. Blackman	Hongkong
Hampshire	cruiser, 1st class	10,360	10	20,500	Capt. H. W. Grant	Wahaiwei
Jel	torpedo-boat destroyer	580	4	7500	Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. A. Mulock	Wahaiwei
Kenne	torpedo-boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lieut.-Comdr. F. A. H. Russell	Wahaiwei
Kinab	river gunboat	616	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Murray	Yungshuei
Marlin	sloop	1040	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Gibson	Lubeau
Minotaur	cruiser, 1st class	14,900	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Wahaiwei
Monarch	river gunboat	130	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powles	Wahaiwei
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Comdr. Malcolin Murray	Yungshuei River
Ribbles	torpedo-boat destroyer	580	—	7500	Lieut. Comdr. H. W. Wilkinson	Wahaiwei
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	980	—	1400	Lieut. Comdr. F. A. N. Croale	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	25	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	Hongkong
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. L. A. S. Hutton	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. M. T. R. Maxwell Scott	Yungshuei
Tamar	receiving ship	4530	—	—	Commodore R. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Tal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. S. P. B. Russell	Upper Yangtze
Tattle	river gunboat	710	2	660	Lt.-Com G. F. L. L. Fyfe	Ominian
Triumph	battleship	11,985	18	19,500	Act. Comdr. A. S. Sussman	Hongkong
Uk	torpedo-boat destroyer	580	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. Marryall	Wahaiwei
Welland	torpedo-boat destroyer	580	—	7500	Lieut. Comdr. C. A. Poignand	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. A. J. Landon	Upper Yangtze
Woodcock	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. M. Blackwood	Yungshuei
Woodlark	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Yungshuei
Yarmouth	light cruiser	5250	—	22,000	Capt. W. L. Cochrane	Hongkong
C.36	submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. F. J. McGillicuddy	Hongkong
C.37	submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. J. Gaiman	Hongkong
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. R. K. C. Pope	Hongkong
C.39	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lieut. Handley	Hongkong
C.398	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lieut. Barton	West River
C.397	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lieut. Wyndham-Quinn	Hongkong
C.38	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lieut. H. W. Seymour	West River

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral T. H. M. Jernan, K.C.R., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Man-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name	Flag and description	Tonnage	Comd.	H.P.	Captain	Last report at
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	25	8000	Capt. Makovitz	Japan
Dupleix	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Daveluy	Hongkong
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9730	12	19,600	Capt. Gouze	Saigon
Montcalm	French flag ship	9800	—	—	Capt. de Vaissan	Shanghai
Decadence	French gunboat	645	10	1700	Lieut. Vardier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	125	7	600	Lieut. de Jerville	Canton
Peiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tientsin
Doudard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutaup	Tientsin
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Robin	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Robin	Saigon
* Styx	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronde	French destroyer	580	7	300	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
Iberville	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Fréville	Saigon
Finotlet	French destroyer	130	7	800	Comdr. de Marquess	Saigon
Monarque	French destroyer	307	6	300	Comdr. Bache	Saigon
Manche	French surveying ship	1625	10	8000	Comdr. Volain	Saigon

* Flagship of Capt. (Commodore) Boucard, Commanding the local defence force in China.

UNITED STATES VESSELS ON ASIA-TIC STATION.

Name	Class	Tonnage	Comd.	H.P.	Captain	Last report at
A-1	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-2	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-3	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-4	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-5	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-6	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-7	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-8	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-9	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-10	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-11	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-12	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-13	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-14	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-15	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-16	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-17	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-18	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-19	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton
A-20	U.S. torpedo-boat	420	7	8000	Lieut. C. M. Macdonay	Canton

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for public purposes. The aggregate amount paid into the public treasury since the nationalisation of these railways has exceeded £140,000,000, and in one year, 1910, the amount devoted to public purposes was about £10,000,000. It is easy to demonstrate by figures—that they were placed before the Prime Minister the other day—that some £8,000,000 a year could be gleaned by the Chancellor of the Exchequer by the simple process of nationalisation—that is, by substituting Government security for railway stock. Why then is this course not pursued? Mainly for the reason that to get German results you must adopt German methods, and any attempt to introduce an automatic system, where democratic principles have prevailed, would be impossible and intolerable. It must not be supposed that the German system, though financially successful, gives universal satisfaction to either freighters or passengers. There are complaints, but the Government can afford to exhibit an indifference that English ministers may envy, but cannot imitate. On one occasion, when a more efficient service was urgently demanded, the responsible Minister replied in these terms:—

"This one will have cheaper fares; another will have better carriages and more room; a third will have new lines, even though they should be unremunerative. This one, again, wants improvement of the road, another lower rates. In all this lies a danger to the State—at least there would be, if the Government were not strong enough to oppose the desires of those interested. I assume that the Prussians will always have a strong administration." Such language contrasts vividly with the apologetic tone an English Minister would adopt if confronted with a similar position. Again, the efficiency, the obedience, the discipline of the staff is little comprehended in this country. No combination of operatives is permitted, lest it foster a healthy discontent with existing conditions; no strikes are allowed to dislocate the traffic or occasion delays.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.
9.15 p.m.—The Hippodrome Circus at Causeway Bay.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.
Second Gymkhana Meeting.
Decorative Day (U.S.A.)

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, May 31.—

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

MONDAY, June 1.—

White Monday.

Public Holiday.

TUESDAY, June 2.—

Popo Pius X born 1835.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at P.W.D.

WEDNESDAY, June 3.—

King George's birthday (1895).

Public Holiday.

THURSDAY, June 4.—

Nun.—H.K. Ice Co's. Extraordinary Meeting.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, May 29, 1914.

GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

OF RAILWAYS.

The appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into the regulation and management of British railways has naturally had the effect of directing the attention of the public to the possibility of purchase. To be able to form a sound judgment of the relative advantages and disadvantages of public and private ownership, a comprehensive knowledge of the methods of management and organization of railway traffic throughout the world is imperatively needed. The circumstances that have led to the adoption of a particular railway policy have also to be taken into account. The extent of the country, the density of the traffic, the temperament of the people, are all factors in the problem. The information, how carefully compiled, can easily mislead an honest inquirer, and without wrong intention may be misapplied so as to invite an erroneous conclusion. It is possible to quote statistics that will show that State ownership has proved a great economic success, and by equally reliable statistics it is just as easy to show that the experiment has detailed loss and disaster. The result, says a writer in "Engineering" to hand, depends upon so many factors, each of which appeals with varying force, that a correct estimate is well-nigh impossible, and in the end the conclusion more often depends on personal temperament and sympathy than on the logical interpretation of facts. It is so easy and apparently so decisive to point out, that under private management the profits of the railways benefit only private capitalists, while under public ownership they would belong to the public, and be used for the public advantage, that it is to be feared many do not care to probe below this inviting, but delusive surface. Moreover, the sceptic can be triumphantly silenced by appealing to the case of Prussia. The Prussian-Hesse Railway operates nearly 24,000 miles of track, and not only have the net earnings been sufficient to pay the interest on the railway debt and the cost of extensions and improvements

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The old Police Pier at Kowloon is now closed to the public, for whose use the old Star Ferry Pier has been set apart.

At the general meeting which took place in St. Petersburg on the 20th May the Russo-Asiatic Bank declared, for the year 1913, a dividend of 10 per cent.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending May 10th amounted to 64,850.64 tons and the sales during the period to 54,420.20 tons.

Messrs. S. Moutrie and Co., Ltd., pianoforte manufacturers, of Shanghai, Hongkong and Singapore, propose to pay a dividend of 10 per cent. to shareholders, and to carry forward the sum of \$25,000, and to carry forward the sum of \$12,870 in respect of the last year's working.

The H.A.L. str. Sumbia, which struck some rocks off Shadow Island near Shanghai last week, went into the International Dock. Upon an examination being made it was found that the damage consisted of a hole on the port side near the bilge and another hole amidships.

The Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd., has entered into a contract for the towing of the dredger Shanghai from Shanghai to Macassar. The tug Victoria will undertake the tow and will leave here towards the end of this month, going via Amoy and Manila. The distance to Macassar is something like 3,000 miles, and this, so far as we understand, says the "Mercury," is the longest tow ever undertaken by any local firm.

Notice is given that a small packet of flat rock covered by 7 feet of water at L. W. S. T. exists in Canton Harbour, approximately 400 feet from the East Bund. From the centre of the patch, the tower of the English Church, near the Western end of Shamen Island, bears N. 11 deg. E. magnetic distance 1,700 feet. On or about the 2nd June, the northern extremity of the patch will be temporarily buoyed with a small black conical buoy, exhibiting a fixed green light from sunset to sunrise, and marking the port side of the channel for inward bound vessels.

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